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In re Application of

diGirolamo

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For: **Modular I-Beam**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action dated August 23, 2002, the following is submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. A modular I-beam comprising:
  - a. a first set of elongated nested channels;
  - b. a second set of elongated nested channels disposed in back-to-back relation with said first set of elongated nested channels; and
  - c. one or more fasteners securing said first and second sets of elongated nested channels together.

24. A modular I-beam comprising:
- a) a central beam;
  - b) a first set of elongated nested channels disposed on one side of said central beam;

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